(b) if so, what steps are to be taken by Government to achieve the targets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 is applicable in rural areas of the country and the act guarantees at least 100 days of wage employment in every financial year to every rural households whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work. NREGA is not restricted to BPL households. NREGA is demand based and Employment is to be provided only if a household applies for it, NREGA is not target based.

There are estimated 1.657 BPL rural households in- 200 NREGA districts. As reported by States, 1.66 crore rural households have been provided employment upto January, 2007.

Implementation of NREGA

992. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: .

- (a) the total amount spent for National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme during the last year, State-wise;
- (b) the total number of persons benefited under this Scheme, State-wise;
 - (c) whether any State Government did not properly utilize this Scheme; and
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) A Statement containing the requisite details is Annexed (See below).

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise. . .

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Statement

Total amount spent for NREGS during last year, State-wise

(Rs. in lakh)

	(As. in takit)									
States	Release	Release E	xpenditure Mandays		Households Upto					
	(2005-06)	(2006-07)	(2006-07)E		January, 2007					
		Upto		Generated	Employ-	Employ-				
		Feb.2007	Jan.2007'	(2006-07)	ment	ment				
			Upto Jan.2007Demanded Provided (Lakh Mandays)							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
Andhra	16474.81	91461.46	46542.63	503.32	1788112	1788112				
Pradesh										
Arunachal	446.31	1211.85	221.34	4.53	16926	16926				
Pradesh										
Assam	33650.13	13970.85	32130.55	295.87	500433	446981				
Bihar	30806.3	41581.38	45176.18	297.24	893728	886916				
Chhattisgarh	785	55716.74	44074.37	467.9	1122846	1045279				
Gujarat	4241.12	6165.94	5799.71	67.89	146943	146943				
Haryana	873.82	3129.39	2384.24	17.35	39128	39128				
Himachal	898.37	2207.64	2153.96	17.34	56823	52632				
Pradesh										
Jammu And	1135.29	2776.37	1062.65	9.65	39579	16079				
Kashmir										
Jharkhand	23429.66	48618.59	36959.43	308.14	868919	846401				
Karnataka	4402.1	17595.69	18383.74	163.41	508798	478767				
Kerala	1169.18	2179.51	870.97	7.41	67271	60391				
Madhya	13713.82	178129.2	138284.72	1590.73	2619570	2582117				
Pradesh										
Maharashtra	19743.56	19235.64	16733.46	229.04	321898	353338				
Manipur	461.63	1252.89	950.00	8.26	17800	17880				
Meghalaya	1457.87	2064.68	121.28	2.01	12644	12642				
Mizoram	770.91	783.9	1028.34	2.37	19358	6666				
Nagaland	1031.28	430.11	1327.91	11.82	27800	27800				
Orissa	7384.75	75456.49	42468.08	506.64	1277280	1264957				

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Punjab	822.54	2755.75	1727.12	11.08	31008	30868
Rajasthan	4142.11	729.61	50622.15	806.21	1094229	1094229
Sikkim	722.16	451.5	167.5	1.55	4211	4111
Tamil Nadu	6571.72	14389.21	10787.8	129.13	508243	508243
Tripura	2572.97	1456.66	4200.56	45.58	66666	66656
Uttar Pradesh	33242.07	48655.69	60449.88	617.64	2419669	2326348
Uttaranchal	1269.11	2710.6	3201.54	26.46	107393	107192
West Bengal	17038.15	30858.84	25852.8	280.98	2573380	2425415
TOTAL:	229256.74	738207.57	593682.91	6429.55	17150655	16653017

Formation of Social and Economic Overhead Capital Under REGS

993. SHRI M.V MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme is like dig the holes and fill up them, without generation of any productive social and economic overhead capital; and
- (b) if so, the details of the productive social and economic overhead capital formation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) No Sir, NREGA aims at e'nhanching livelihood security in rural areas by providing at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every household whose adult members volunteer to do unskilled manual work through creation of productive and tangible socio economic assets. This is evident from the fact that during 2006-2007 (upto January 07) a total of 2.79 lakh tangible socio economic assets have been created and 4.00 lakh are in progress under NREGA. The category-wise breakup is given in the enclosed Statement.